

U.S. Office Pristina

J. William Fulbright Visiting Scholars Program in Kosovo

The U.S. Office Pristina announces the J. William Fulbright Visiting Scholars Program in Kosovo for year 2006/2007.

This exchange program, funded by the U.S. Department of State, sends qualified scholars to the United States for research, scholarship, and teaching opportunities. The exchange will provide funds for up to four Kosovo scholars to pursue research in the U.S. for three to four months, beginning in September of 2006 or spring of 2007.

In this year of the program, the U.S. Office Pristina is looking for proposals that will focus on research or other activities related to:

- · Rule of law and democracy building
- Economic development
- Developing democratic systems and practices
- Inter-ethnic cooperation
- Rights of women
- Conflict resolution
- Civics education

Minimum requirements for being considered for this program include:

- · A doctoral degree or
- Equivalent professional training or experience
- A high level of English proficiency (no interpreters are provided),
- A detailed statement of proposed activity for research or lecturing at a U.S. institution,
- Medical clearance.

The grants cover international travel to and from the host institution for the grantees, limited accident and health insurance, and an allowance to help with expenses in the U. S.

Often, candidates will already have a relationship established with a U.S. institution and will have been in contact with officials there and discussed the research or study plans. Although that is not a prerequisite for applying, a letter of invitation or a contact at a U.S. university can help facilitate placement.

Qualified candidates must submit:

- An application form
- · A detailed statement of proposed activity
- A detailed curriculum vita
- Three references
- In addition, if available, please submit the results of an English-language proficiency test and letters of invitation from U.S. institutions

The U.S. Congress established the Fulbright Program in 1946 to increase mutual understanding between people of the United States and other countries. Since then, 64,000 visiting scholars have traveled around the world to conduct research or teach. Competition for these positions is often high and selection for participation is considered an honor by both academics and non-academics.

For more information about the program, visit the Council for International Exchange of Scholar's website at www.cies.org/cies/vs_scholars/vsfulb.htm (Please note: You need to use an _ in the address: vs_scholars.) For an application form, please contact the USOP Office of Public Affairs at (38) 549-516.

Completed application forms must be received by the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Office Pristina no later than

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